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Secretariat of North Florida Tres Dias

MINUTES

Abundant Life Binders and Believers, Cairo, GA

SEPTEMBER 23, 2024

6:00 PM



MEMBERS PRESENT

Andy Fowler, Chairman
Felisha Mitchell, Spiritual Community Director
Cindy Croley, Secretary
Sean Nyberg, Treasurer
Becky Strahan, PO Coordinator
Chad & Amanda Slayton, Procurement Couple
Kay King, Women's Leader
Jaime Hale, ½ Food Couple
Jay Hayes, Data Management
Aaron & Iris Loudermilk, Newsletter Couple
Marden McClamma, Men's Leader
Michael Sanders, ½ Fourth Day Couple
Jen Hamilton, ½ Pre-Weekend Couple

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jason Hamilton, ½ Pre-Weekend Couple
Shea Sanders, ½ Fourth Day Couple
Dude & Deanna Settegren, Weekend Couple
Rodney & Jessica Whitfield, Palanca Couple
Bruce Hale, ½ Food Couple

VISITORS:

Kristin Bailey
Mary Bailey
Michael Mitchell
Scott & Chris Farney
Bruce King
Kyle Moye
Stephanie & Kyle Hatcher
Jason & Nicole Stanley

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WELCOME / LIGHTING OF CANDLE / OPENING PRAYER / DEVOTION / COMMUNION

Chairman, Andy Fowler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Felisha Mitchell shared devotion. Carry one another's burdens; Hold yourself accountable; Somebody's breakthrough is in your mouth. Galatians 6:1-4;9

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The minutes may reflect the actual sequence of events as discussed rather than the original agenda order.

Approval / Corrections of August 2024 Minutes - Cindy read minutes out loud. Need to change "sequester" to "cloister" throughout. Change title of "investment account" to "Emergency Account". Add "Tabled for further discussion in September" to PO 101 topic. Becky Strahan motioned, Jay Hayes 2nd, all approved to accept minutes pending these corrections.

REPORTS

1. Financial Report, Sean Nyberg, Treasurer

Emergency account - \$12,571.56, Operating account - \$25,432.71, Procurement account- \$1,000.00, Food account - \$1,000.00, Savings Account - \$1,000.27, Total Synovus - \$28,432.98, Grand Total - \$41,004.54. **Large expenses paid* Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company - \$1,036.00, Thomasville Bedding Company - \$6,804.00 for 36 new mattresses (ACV will credit us \$4804.00 on weekend bills).

Rectors are within budget overall. Regarding mattresses, ACV accepted our \$2200 and will cover the rest. Sean will assess the rest of the mattresses and the campground will replace them.

2. Weekend #68 Reports

- **Kay King, Women's Leader-** Deferred to Cindy, The women have one meeting left. It has been an amazing journey. Mark and Cindy have both given their talks at the team meetings.
- **Marden McClamma, Men's Leader** - Deferred to Jason, The mens team meetings are finished and they will have their final script meeting on Thursday, September 26th.

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3. Pre-Weekend, Jason & Jen Hamilton

Men have 20 applications and 16 confirmed, women have 23 applications and 16 confirmed. Reminder that candidates must submit the return form in order to be considered "on" the weekend.

4. Sequela Update, Michael & Shea Sanders

The September sequela on the 14th at First Baptist Church of Thomasville had 51 in attendance. The next sequela will be the Victory Sequela on November 9th at Victory Fellowship Church in Thomasville.

5. Other Member Reports

- Newsletter couple - Aaron and Iris shared that they are still aiming for 100% participation from the Secretariat in the newsletter. Contributions are due by the 25th and 8 out of 14 have been received so far this month.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Food Couple - The VanGundy's cannot fulfill the responsibility when Bruce and Jaime roll off so the Secretariat needs to find a replacement.
2. Rules Committee - New language was presented regarding the rector/spouses talk. Proposed to add "If the spouse is clergy, the Spouse's Talk must be given after the Apostolic Hour has concluded and at the time of the Closing Ceremony" to Section 2.8.2 of the Policies and Practices. Jay Hayes motioned to accept the change, Sean Nyberg 2nd, all were in favor.
3. Attendance Policy - There is no hard and fast rule for 100% attendance in the essentials or policies and practices. Team building is important and is the purpose of the team meetings. Sean will still reach out to international, but as of yet has not found written documentation of attendance expectations.
4. Pre-qualifications for serving in positions - A handful of instances have occurred in the last several weekends where people were serving in heads positions that are not qualified for those positions yet. Also a reminder that each weekend 6 people should be advanced towards being rector qualified. The men's and women's leaders are responsible for tracking qualifications. Spiritual director questions should be directed to the community spiritual director.

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5. New Mattresses for candidate beds - There is currently \$2,200 in the mattress fund. Sean Nyberg presented a quote for 36 mattresses measuring 38" x 74" and varying thicknesses. 5 inch thickness would cost \$3,778.20, 6 inch would cost \$4,138.20 and 7 inch would cost \$6,804.00. Sean will talk to Doug regarding the logistics and whether the campground would contribute anything towards the cost. Tabled for more information and additional discussion.
6. PO 101 - The September 9th meeting was not attended by 2 that needed it. Sean was able to clear 1 of them, 1 needs it still, and 1 more was added. 10 POs have been held since the beginning of the year. These include in person, via Zoom, and 1 on 1. Becky asked for help and suggestions for offering more than just 2 POs per year. Technically any Secretariat member can conduct a PO, but for consistency sake it is best to be given by the same people each time. Chris Farney mentioned that the requirement is on the pescadores' responsibility to go out of their way to meet each individual pescadore's schedule. Sean suggested that we may look into incorporating International's online essentials training. Felisha suggested scheduling POs to coincide with a sequela to encourage more participation.

Tabled for additional discussion at the October meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. TDI Essentials Training - Suggested to look at dates in January. It will be a 2 part meeting, 1st with the Secretariat and the International liaison and then with the community. This training is required every 3 years for our charter. It was suggested to combine with the January 11th sequela. Andy will discuss the date with the International liaison to confirm his availability.
2. TDI apology letter - Andy read the letter he has written to International regarding the March 25th, 2024 meeting. Andy will email the letter to them tomorrow, copying the executive committee. Sean Nyberg motioned, Cindy Croley 2nd, all approved.
3. Feeding the men before serenade - Jason announced to the men and Becky to the women that no food will be provided by NFTD before serenade practices. There is some concern that men may not come to serenade if there is no meal. Jaime mentions that there is typically a lot of waste when food is prepared by the kitchen to be served at the serenade practices. Chris Farney suggested that a request could be put out for someone or perhaps a reunion group to palanca these meals if they are desired. Clarification was given that a meal will not be provided by the kitchen on either weekend, but it is not discouraged for someone to coordinate another way to provide food prior to each practice.

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4. Hurricane - A group will gather this weekend to drive down and check on the campground after the hurricane.

SECRETARIAT SPECIAL GROUP PRAYER PALANCA TIME FOR OTHER COMMUNITIES AND WEEKENDS AND CLOSING PRAYER.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. with Felisha Mitchell giving the closing prayer. At 7:45 p.m., the Secretariat entered into Executive Session. The meeting is private and no minutes are recorded.

Next Meeting: October 28th, 2024 at Abundant Life Binders and Believers in Cairo, Georgia

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cindy Croley, Secretary.